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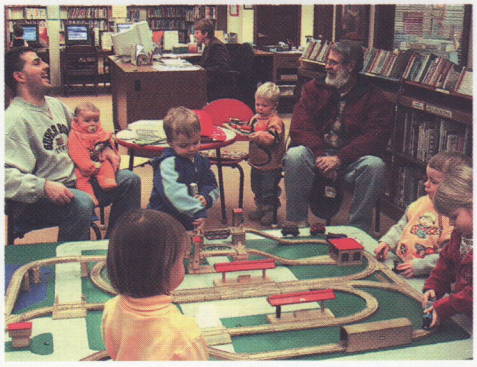
Celebrate National Library Week April 10–17!

Something for Everyone @ the Morton Grove Public Library

Public libraries provide information, education, and entertainment for all people, regardless of age, income, or background. The Morton Grove Public Library provides something for everyone, from stories and songs for infants to computer classes and concerts for senior adults – and everyone in between! Whether you're looking for the latest bestseller or feature film, researching your family history or a college term paper, using the Internet or listening to a fairy tale, MGPL has the materials and the resources to help you find whatever you are looking for on almost any topic.

Let yourself be swept away by the magic of books, music, and films @ your Library. In March and April, there is something for everyone in a *Magical Musical Tour*; a series of films showing the many versions of Cinderella; *the Magic of Science*, and many more educational and entertaining special events.



Parents and youngsters enjoy the train set in the Youth Services Department.

Faye Christiansen and Gene Mitchell are sisters, lifelong residents of Morton Grove and lifelong users of the Library. Gene says their family tree is loaded with readers. In an interview, Faye and Gene reminisced about how as children, they came with their brother Butch Connell, and sister Marcia Biehn, to do schoolwork. Years later, they brought their own children to play with the dollhouse and toys and to listen to stories in the Youth Services Department. In recent years, Faye and Gene have volunteered their time helping with book processing, mailing MatchBook letters, duplicating flyers, and doing many other tasks. Both women are avid readers and especially enjoy reading about history, current events and biographies. Faye says, "I cannot imagine life without books. They go with me to the beach, to the doctor's office, and wherever I go."

Magical Musical Tour (concert)

Sunday, April 17, 2 pm

Lyric soprano Iris Brenner and baritone Bernie Malina will take you on a musical trip through many lands – England, Italy, Ireland, and France – providing a delightful and exciting musical experience. In addition to some light opera favorites, the duo will perform hits such as *The Impossible Dream, Look to the Rainbow, Sorrento, Italian Street Song*, and songs from *My Fair Lady.*

Do you have an MGPL book bag? Terry Schlag shows off her tote and notes that, "These handsome Library bags can hold a lot of books and they have a handy pocket on the front for small items. What a great bargain at $2.50!"

Computer Classes

Using the Internet for Genealogical Research

Saturday, March 12, 10 am

Learn how to search the Internet for your family's genealogy when Colleen Ringel, MGPL Reference Librarian and expert on genealogical searches, presents a lecture/demonstration on some of the most popular genealogy Web sites. Note: This is not a hands-on class. Registration is required; call 847-929-5101 or stop by the Reference Services Desk.

New Genealogy Books:

Genealogy Online for Dummies (929.1 HEL)

How to Do Everything with Your Genealogy (929.1 MOR)

Plugging into Your Past: How to Find Real Family History Records Online (929.1 CRU)

Microsoft Word: Intermediate Level

A Class in Two Parts
Wednesday, March 16, 7 pm
Wednesday, March 23, 7 pm

Jennifer Didier of Directions Training will present a lecture/demonstration on intermediate-to-advanced functions of Microsoft Word, such as: mail merge, inserting graphics, setting up columns and tables, editing and formatting a variety of documents. Note: this is not a hands-on course. Registration applies to both sessions; no separate registration will be taken for the second session. Call 847-929-5101.

Excel: Intermediate Level

A Class in Two Parts
Wednesday, April 13, 7 pm
Wednesday, April 20, 7 pm

Jennifer Didier of Directions Training will present a lecture/demonstration on data management and spreadsheet techniques in Excel. Learn how to modify a worksheet, add graphics, use charts and more. Note: this is not a hands-on course. Registration is required; call 847-929-5101.

Individual, Hands-on Tutorials

Morton Grove residents can learn how to use a computer with a one-on-one, hands-on tutorial guided by an MGPL librarian. Call 847-929-5101 to schedule an appointment for one or more of these sessions:

- How to use a computer mouse (one session)
- How to use the Internet (two sessions)
- How to set up a free e-mail account (two sessions)
- How to use the Library's computer catalog, iBistro (two sessions)
- How to use EBSCO magazine databases (one session): Choose from an impressive array of business, health, consumer, and other research topics. Learn how to find current information of interest to you.

In Full Swing

Sunday, March 6, at 2 pm

The big band sound of *In Full Swing* is sure to brighten up your whole day. Join us for the annual concert of this very talented group of musicians under the direction of Ron Surace. You will hear *A Nightingale Sang in Berkley Square*, Glenn Miller's *String of Pearls,* Artie Shaw's *Nightmare*, and many more favorites. Refreshments will be served following the concert.

Two young cousins listen to a story.

Cook's Tour of Chicago with Marilyn Pocius

Saturday, March 12, 2 pm (rescheduled)

Marilyn Pocius is the author of *A Cook's Guide to Chicago: Where to Find Everything You Need and Lots of Things You Didn't Know You Did* – a cook's book, not a cookbook. Ms. Pocius will serve samples of some unusual treats from food shops in the Chicago area. Registration is required by Thursday, March 10; call 847-929-5101 or stop by the Reference Services Desk.

For What It's Worth: Antiques Appraisals by Karl Gates

Thursday, April 14, 7–9 pm

Back by popular demand! Karl Gates will present an historical introduction to antiques and collectibles, criteria for evaluating pieces, and current trends in the antique world. Each participant may bring one hand-carried item or a photograph of a large item for appraisal. (No firearms, stamps, or coins.) Registration is limited; call 847-929-5101 or stop by the Reference Services Desk to register.

Babysitting Basics

Tuesday, May 3, 3:45–5 pm
Wednesday, May 4, 3:45–5 pm

Morton Grove students age 12 and over are eligible to sign up for this two-day workshop presented by the Morton Grove Fire Department and the Morton Grove Police Department. The workshop helps to prepare babysitters for the responsibilities of caring for young children. Practical tips for planning activities, the babysitter's role in emergency situations, and safety for children are emphasized. Registration is required; call 847-929-5101, or stop by the Reference Services Desk. Non-Morton Grove residents can sign up on a waiting list and will be notified by phone if there is space available.

Introducing New Online Resources

Students, parents and teachers, take note: The Library has added three new Grolier products to the online reference databases: *Lands and People, America the Beautiful*, and *The New Book of Popular Science*. These are online versions of books currently in the Youth Services Reference collection; they include current events and over 2,000 links to relevant websites. Not sure where to look? Searches done on the Grolier home page will give results from all currently subscribed Grolier products.

The Library also subscribes to the award-winning *World Book Online Reference Center.* This Web site includes all the articles from the 22-volume *World Book Encyclopedia* print set plus thousands of additional articles, pictures, maps and media. These free databases may be accessed from the Library or from home using a valid MGPL library card: follow the directions at **databases.webrary.org**.

Grandmas read stories to young children and their caregivers.

Book Discussion Groups

Low Vision Book Discussion

Kate Remembered by Scott Berg: Wed., Mar. 9, 1:30 pm

Three Junes by Julia Glass: Wed., Apr. 13, 1:30 pm

All Booked Up

Peace Like A River by Leif Enger: Thurs., Mar. 17, 10 am:

My Sister's Keeper by Jody Picoult: Thurs., Apr.21, 10 am:

Thinking Out Loud

Reading Lolita in Tehran by Azar Nafisi: Tues., Mar. 19, 7:30 pm

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night Time by Mark Haddon: Tues., Apr. 26, 7:30 pm

Rebecca Caudill Book Club

Surviving the Applewhites by Stephanie Tolan: Fri., Mar. 18, 4 pm

Reading Programs

MGPL All-Star Readers – Ends April 2.

Awards Book Club – all year program – join anytime!

Children read books from lists of award winners and write a journal entry for each book read. They will receive a brass MGPL apple bookmark when they join and a notebook with the first entry. After every five entries, a prize is awarded.

Movies, Munchies, & More!

Every Tuesday, at 11:30 am, the Library hosts a program that provides entertainment and education, plus light refreshments. Topics range from documentaries to travelogues, biographies to comedians' performances. You can bring your lunch or just join us for sweet treats served with coffee. Once a month, there is a special celebration of birthdays with either a feature film or a live performance:

Travel to New Zealand with Myrla Brand

Tuesday, March 22, 11:30 am

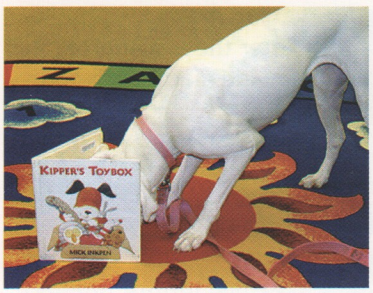
Enjoy the beautiful scenery of New Zealand's North and South Islands and learn about their history, culture and food. See kiwi fruit country, fields of steam, sheep shearing, the awesome kauri tree, Maori carvings, and a timeball clock. Visit Lake Tekapo, Rotorua, Wellington, Queenstown, Auckland, Christchurch and Dunedin.

Tales from the Deli and Other Humor Stories

Tuesday, April 12, 11:30 am

"Laughter is the best therapy," says comedian Morrie Weiner as he tells hilarious stories about the people and events he encountered as owner of Ada's Delicatessen on Montrose Ave. in Chicago.

Two Notre Dame High School students use the computer catalog.



Lucy has her nose in a book.

Read to Lucy

A Delta Society Companion Dog

Wednesdays in March and April from 6–7 pm

Children in Grades 1-3 are invited to discover the joy of reading and improve their confidence by sharing stories with a trained therapy dog. Each reader will have 10 minutes of Lucy's attention. You may bring your own book or choose something from the Library. Call the YS Dept. at 847-929-5102 to reserve a time.

Juggling Funny Stories with Chris Fascione

Sunday, March 13, 2 pm

Laughter abounds as Fascione brings colorful characters from children's stories to life with his comedic antics and imagination while motivating kids to read in this fun, high-spirited, participatory program. Registration required.

Magic of Science

Saturday, March 19, 2 pm

This imaginative program allows everyone in the audience to become a magician. Everything in the program looks like real magic, but is actually the amazing qualities of science at work, using chemistry, light, magnetism, optical illusions and physics. Registration required.

April 10–16: National Library Week Trivia Game

Two prizes will be given out every day to winners drawn from the correct entries.

MacShane Laser Arts

Saturday, April 2, 2 pm

The Library's All-Star Reading Program ends with a presentation from MacShane Laser Arts. Art meets science in this fun demonstration of lasers, which will include light sculptures and holography. Learn about the laser while being delighted by its amazing beauty and versatility. Registration begins 3/14.

Calling All Artists!

Entries will be accepted from **March 1 through June 1**, for the Library's 32nd Annual Children's Art Contest. Children in pre-school through grade 6 may submit original artwork. (Some restrictions apply. Please see complete rules posted in the Library.) Winning entries will be exhibited in the east stairwell until June 2005.

Coming in May!

Saturday, May 7, 2 pm

The Zoological Society of Milwaukee will present *Birds of the World*, featuring the opportunity to see wildlife up close. Registration is required and begins 4/11.

Join the fun with Wee Read for ages 0–24 months.

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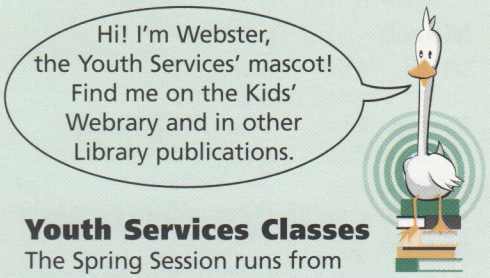

Youth Services Classes

The Spring Session runs from March 21 to May 13. Call 847-929-5102 or stop by the Youth Services Desk to register.

Library Playtime

for 2-Year-Olds & Parents or Caregivers
Thursday, 10:30 am
Class limit – 12 children, 12 parents

Preschool Storytime

for ages 3 – Kindergarten (please, no underage siblings):
Wednesday, 10 am
Class limit – 30

Stories & Stuff

Grades 1 – 2
Tuesday, 7 pm
Class limit – 12

Family Storytime

Stories, Songs and a Craft
All Ages
Thursdays, 7 pm

Calendar of Special Events

***Registration required**

3/1 – 6/1			Art Contest entries accepted.
3/12	Sat.	10 am – 4 pm	Drop-in Craft: St.Patrick's Day
3/11	Fri.	4 pm	Kidz Kartoonz: *Cinderella*
3/13	Sun.	2 pm	*Juggling Funny Stories**
3/18	Fri.	4 pm	Rebecca Caudill Book Club*
3/19	Sat.	2 pm	*Magic of Science**
4/2	Sat.	2 pm	*Laser Show**
4/8	Fri.	4 pm	Kidz Kartoonz: *Cinderella II*
4/9	Sat.	10 am – 4 pm	Drop-in Craft: Spring
4/10–16			National Library Wk. Trivia Game
4/16	Sat.	2 pm	*Where the Wild Things Are**

No advance registration required for the following activities:

Read To Me – Volunteer Grandmas share stories and rhymes with preschoolers ages 3-5 and their caregivers every Tuesday at 10 am.

Wee Read Lapsit Program for ages 0-24 months. Hear songs, stories and enjoy playtime every Friday at 11 am or 2 pm or Fourth Saturdays (3/26 and 4/23) at 11 am.

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March

3/4	Fri.	4 pm	Movie: *Ever After* (PG, 100 min.)
3/6	Sun.	2 pm	*In Full Swing* – Concert
3/7	Mon.	7 pm	Club Banzai (animé film): *The Twelve Kingdoms, Ch. 4, Reunion* (100 min., ages 13+)
3/9	Wed.	1:30 pm	Low Vision Book Discussion of *Kate Remembered*
3/10	Thurs.	7:30 pm	Library Board Meeting
3/12	Sat.	10 am	*Using the Internet for Genealogical Research:* registration required
3/12	Sat.	2 pm	*Cook's Tour of Chicago*: registration required
3/16	Wed.	7 pm	*Intermediate Microsoft Word, Part 1*: registration required
3/17	Thurs.	10 am	All Booked Up Discussion of *Peace Like a River*
3/17	Thurs.	2 & 7 pm	Feature Film: *The Notebook* (PG-13, 124 min.)
3/22	Tues.	11:30 am	*New Zealand with Myrla Brand:* Movies, Munchies & More
3/22	Tues.	7:30 pm	Thinking Out Loud Discussion of *Reading Lolita in Tehran*
3/23	Wed.	7 pm	*Intermediate Microsoft Word, Part 2:* registration required
3/27	**Sun.**		**CLOSED for Easter Sunday**

April

4/1	Fri.	4 pm	Movie: *Ella Enchanted* (PG, 96 min.)
4/4	Mon.	7 pm	Club Banzai (animé film): *Dragonball Z Cell Games – Ultimatum*
4/10	Sun.	2 pm	*Travel on the Internet:* registration required
4/12	Tues.	11:30 am	*Tales from the Deli*
4/13	Wed.	1:30 pm	Low Vision Book Discussion of *Three Junes*
4/13	Wed.	7 pm	*Intermediate Excel, Part 1:* registration required
4/14	Thurs.	7 pm	*For What It's Worth: Antiques Appraisal*: registration required
4/14	Thurs.	7:30 pm	Library Board Meeting
4/15	Fri.	4 pm	Movie: *A Cinderella Story* (PG, 95 min.)
4/17	Sun.	2 pm	*Magical Musical Tour*
4/20	Wed.	7 pm	*Intermediate Excel, Part 2*: registration required
4/21	Thurs.	10 am	All Booked Up Discussion of *My Sister's Keeper*
4/21	Thurs.	2 & 7 pm	Feature Film: *Vanity Fair* (PG-13, 137 min., 2004)
4/26	Tues.	7:30 pm	Thinking Out Loud Discussion of *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night Time*
4/29	Fri.	4 pm	Movie: *The Princess Diaries* (G, 115 min.)

Check out our complete calendar on the Web at: www.webrary.org/inside/calcurr.html

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FEATURE FILMS

The Notebook
PG-13, 124 minutes, 2004
Thursday, March 17, 2 & 7 pm
The Notebook is based on Nicholas Sparks' romantic novel about the enduring love of a couple that were kept apart by the girl's wealthy parents and WWII. James Garner and Gena Rowland star as the couple in their later years; Ryan Gosling and Rachel McAdams are the appealing young costars.

Vanity Fair
PG-13, 141 minutes, 2004
Thursday, April 21, 2 & 7 pm
Becky Sharp (Reese Witherspoon) defies her poverty-stricken background and climbs the London social ladder alongside her best friend, Amelia (Romola Garai), in this film based on William Makepeace Thackeray's classic novel. This film was directed by Mira Nair, who also directed *Monsoon Wedding*.

KIDZ KARTOONZ

Cinderella
G, 76 min., 1949
Friday, March 11, 4 pm
Walt Disney's classic animated film tells the story of Cinderella and how, with the help of her Fairy Godmother, she escapes the drudgery of endless chores done for her wicked stepmother and stepsisters and meets Prince Charming.

Cinderella II
G, 73 min., 2002
Friday, April 8, 4 pm
In the sequel to Walt Disney's animated story, Cinderella and her prince return to the palace from their honeymoon and Cinderella becomes the Royal Hostess. With the help of her Fairy Godmother and a band of mischievous mice, Cinderella and her friends help the Court learn how to entertain royally.

CLUB BANZAI

The Twelve Kingdoms: Chap. 4 – Reunion
Ages 13 and up, 100 min., 2004
Monday, March 7, 7 pm
CANCELLED!
The Ranka of the Kirin of Tai has been swept away to the shores of Japan, and instead of being born as a holy beast of power, it was born as Kaname, the first son of the Takazato family.

Dragonball Z Cell Games – Ultimatum
Ages 13 and up, 60 minutes, 1999
Monday, April 4, 7 pm
The Dragonball Z animé series continues with the Cell Games saga. The Z fighters are training in the hyperbolic time chamber after the evil android Cell calls for a worldwide martial arts tournament.

MAGICAL MOVIE SERIES

Ever After
PG, 100 minutes, 1998
Friday, March 4, 4 pm
In this retelling of the classic fairy tale of Cinderella, a young woman of the 16th century stands up to her scheming stepmother and works miracles on the lives of everyone around her, including the crown prince of France.

Ella Enchanted
PG, 96 minutes, 2004
Friday, April 1, 4 pm
When she was born, Ella's fairy godmother gave her the gift of obedience, but the gift turned out to also be a curse. Ella is often taken advantage of because she cannot refuse any command. She must outwit a kingdom filled with ogres, giants, wicked stepsisters, and other nasty things.

Enjoy reading together at your library.

A Cinderella Story
PG, 95 minutes, 2004
Friday, April 15, 4 pm
High school senior Sam (Hilary Duff) lives at the beck and call of her self-obsessed stepmother Fiona (Jennifer Coolidge) and her wicked stepsisters. Sam finds her less-than-sparkling social life wonderfully complicated when she meets her Prince Charming online.

The Princess Diaries
G, 115 minutes, 2001
Friday, April 29, 4 pm
Fifteen-year-old Mia (Anne Hathaway) is a frizzy-haired, bespectacled klutz who is stunned when her ultra-cool grandmother (Julie Andrews) arrives and informs her that she is the crown princess of the European principality of Genovia. Mia takes "princess lessons" from her grandmother and eventually blossoms into a beautiful, graceful princess.